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**Applicants** 

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Title

pH STABLE ACTIVATED CARBON

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## **DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132**

I, Robert G. Roodman, hereby declare as follows:

- 1. I am one of the named inventors of the invention described and claimed in the above-identified application.
- 2. I am President of Envirotrol, Inc., Darlington, Pennsylvania, the assignee of the above-identified application.
- 3. I am familiar with the subject matter of the above-identified patent application.
- 4. In order to demonstrate the commercial success of the subject matter of the above-referenced application, I submit the following information. Envirotrol, Inc. markets a product named NoRise® Activated Carbon for removing impurities from aqueous systems. NoRise® Activated Carbon consists of activated carbon with citric acid absorbed thereon as described and claimed in the present specification. The table below demonstrates the remarkable sales of NoRise® Activated Carbon in the marketplace.

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Sales of NoRise® Activated Carbon

Year	Volume (lbs.)	Value (\$)
2001	1,082,500	709,733
2002	1,129,000	736,550
2003 (Jan. – Aug.)	833,520	549,554
[projected]	1,250,280	824,331
Total	3,045,020	1,995,837

- 5. The commercial success of the NoRise<sup>®</sup> Activated Carbon is a direct result of the results provided by the inventive method and its ability to prevent pH excursions during operation.
- 6. I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Robert G. Roodman